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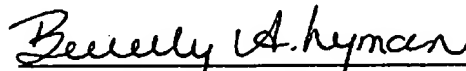
Dear Sir:

Petition for Extension of Time

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time of two (2) months from the original response date of November 21, 2003 for responding in the above-identified patent application. With the extension of time, the period for response now extends up to and includes January 21, 2004.

The amount due for this petition is \$420. The Examiner is authorized to charge this amount, and any other charges or credits necessary to complete this communication, to Deposit Account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,



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